IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI WESTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AM	IERICA,)	
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	Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	Criminal Action No.
)	05-00183-03-CR-W-FJG
MAURICE S. SAYLES,)	
)	
	Defendant.)	

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

On August 31, 2005, counsel for defendant Sayles filed a motion pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 4241 for a determination of the mental competency of the defendant to stand trial. That motion was granted and, prior to holding a hearing to determine the mental competency of the defendant, the Court entered its Order pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 4241(b) directing that a psychological or psychiatric examination of the defendant be conducted and that a psychological or psychiatric report be filed with the Court pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 4247(b) and (c).

The Court has now received the psychological or psychiatric report of Dr. Robert

Johnson which concluded that the defendant is competent to understand the nature and

consequence of the proceedings against him and to assist properly in his defense. This report has
been provided to and reviewed by counsel for the government and counsel for the defendant. On

December 19, 2005, a hearing was held pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 4247(d) for the purpose of
determining the mental competency of the defendant to stand trial. At this hearing, counsel for
the government and counsel for the defendant stipulated that the Court could consider the

psychological or psychiatric report of Dr. Johnson as if Dr. Johnson had appeared in person and

testified under oath. No additional evidence was offered by the government or by the defendant.

Based on the record before the Court and the findings of Dr. Johnson, it is

RECOMMENDED that the District Court, after conducting its own independent review

of the record, find that defendant Sayles is competent to understand the nature and consequence

of the proceedings against him and to assist properly in his defense.

Counsel are reminded that each has 10 days from the date of receipt of a copy of this

Report and Recommendation to file and serve specific objections to the same. A failure to file

and serve timely objections shall bar attack on appeal of the factual findings in this Report which

are accepted or adopted by the District Judge except upon the ground of plain error or manifest

injustice.

/s/ JOHN T. MAUGHMER

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Chief United States Magistrate Judge

Kansas City, Missouri

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